

PEACE COMPACTS. Some of the Most Important Treaties in Modern History. If Russians and Japanese really negotiate their peace agreement at Washington the treaty will be known as the "Treaty of Washington." Among the most important of the world's treaties are the following: The Treaty of Westphalia, 1648, which ended the Thirty Years' War. The peace of the Pyrenees, 1659, definitely marked the fall of Spain from its position as the leader of Europe. A historian says: "When Spain signed with France the peace of the Pyrenees she signed away with it the last remnant of the supremacy she had exercised in Europe. France, the victor, took the place of Spain in the councils of the continent." By the peace of Augsburg, 1555, religious freedom was assured to Germany and the wars between Protestants and Catholics came to an end. The Treaty of Utrecht in 1713 terminated the war of the Spanish succession.

A number of the most important treaties in modern history are known as the treaties of Paris. They are six in number and bear the dates of 1763, 1783, 1814, 1815, 1830 and 1898. The first of the series marked the end of the Seven Years' war. Among other things it provided for the cession to Great Britain of Canada and the region east of the Mississippi river. The Treaty of Paris, Sept. 3, 1783, between Great Britain and the United States marked the close of the American Revolution and recognized the independence of France. The aggressions of France upon the Napoleon found their conclusion in the treaties of Paris of 1814 and 1815, by the second of which France was compelled to pay an indemnity to the allies amounting in all to near \$300,000,000.

In 1856 a treaty of Paris was concluded among the powers at the close of the Crimean war. It provided that the Black Sea should be neutralized and that it should be thrown open to the merchant marine of every nation. The Treaty of Paris of Dec. 10, 1898, terminated the Spanish-American war. Spain relinquished its sovereignty in Cuba and ceded Porto Rico, Guam and the Philippines to the United States. For the Philippines it received \$20,000,000. Other important treaties were that of Berlin, settling the eastern question, 1878, and Frankfurt-on-the-Main, May 10, 1871, securing peace between France and Germany.

Latin was formerly the language used in treaties, but treaties to which several European powers are parties are now generally drawn up in French, the use of which became common in the time of Louis XIV., but the final act of the congress of Vienna, 1815, contains a protest against the use of this language being obligatory. A great European treaty usually begins, "In the name of the Most Holy and Indivisible Trinity," or if the Sultan of Turkey is a party, "In the name of Almighty God." (Chicago News.)

Paris Mendacity Menacing. Complaints are being made in Paris of the increase in mendacity, and a number of the leading business men in the main thoroughfares have approached the police authorities on this matter. It is high time that the nuisance were abated. When in a populous thoroughfare like the Avenue de l'Opera, the Rue de la Paix or the Rue Royale a man sits down in the middle of the pavement, stretching his legs out as wide as possible and causing pedestrians no little trouble to pass him, or when a woman hangs on to the door of a carriage, refusing to get her hold until something is given her, it more resembles demanding backstreet than asking for charity. Of course, the beggars who do this are old hands, and it is to be regretted that tender hearted people ever open their hearts and their purses to them. However, spurred on by the influential shopkeepers of the leading thoroughfares, the police will undoubtedly take energetic action, and one unpleasantness will be removed from the streets of this charming capital.—London Globe.

Mourning Shoes. Shoes have been specialized for a hundred and one purposes—walking, dancing, yachting, golfing, house, boudoir and opera wear and many other uses—but shoes especially for those in mourning are a variety of footwear that only a few manufacturers would think of producing. Such shoes are made in Lynn, and one firm shows them among its sample cases. The mourning shoe consists of a dead luster black leather made up on a stylish last and ornamented with mournful looking black ribbons and beads. That it is a very proper shoe among society women is shown by an order which a Lynn firm lately received. The order was for a pair of white canvas shoes, made on a certain last, and it was filled out in the usual form, but at the bottom was appended the following: "Please be sure that the edges and heels are blacked, as the lady is in mourning." Black ribbon bows were placed on the shoes, and thus the mourning idea was carried out.—Shoe Retailer.

Double Congratulations. Father John P. Chidwick, who was chaplain of the Maine at the time of her destruction in Havana harbor and who has now returned to his flock in New York city, is a divine with a keen sense of humor. The "Little Father," as he was affectionately known on the Maine, carried in one of the big insurance companies of this city the largest insurance carried by any officer in the navy. It was directly after the Maine disaster that Father Chidwick received from the company a letter which read: "When issuing your policy we were not aware of the hazardous nature of your calling and therefore request that you will return to us your policy that we may insert the 'extra hazardous' clause. Congratulating you on your escape, we are, yours, etc."

Father Chidwick wrote this reply: "As your agent insured me in the ward room of the Maine, he must have known the nature of my calling, and I therefore refuse to send you back my policy. Congratulating you on my escape, I am, etc."

—New York Herald.

One Dollar Saved Represents Ten Dollars Earned. The average man does not save to exceed ten per cent. of his earnings. He must spend ninety dollars in living expenses for every dollar saved. That being the case he cannot be too careful about unnecessary expenses. Very often a few cents properly invested, like buying seeds for his garden, will save several dollars. For example, if he is the same in buying Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, it cost but a few cents, and a bottle of it in the house often saves a doctor's bill of several dollars. For sale by B. S. Ashby & Co., Accomac, and all county agencies.

MEERSCHAUM PIPES. A Test by Which to Tell the Genuine From the Spurious. Once upon a time there was a man who spent eight of the best years of his life coloring a meerschaum pipe, only to find at the end of that period that he had been nursing a piece of "massakope" instead of the genuine "ecume de mer." The "massakope" is a composition made of the parings of genuine meerschaum and a mineral clay. The parings are triturated to a fine powder, boiled in water and made into blocks, with or without the addition of clay. Each block is then cut into a bowl, but as it contracts considerably it must be left some time to dry. These bowls are distinguished from the genuine meerschaum by their greater specific gravity, but there is no absolutely certain test by which the real meerschaum can be told from the composition.

In forming a pipe from "ecume de mer" the silicate of magnesia is prepared for the operation by soaking in a composition of wax, oil and fats. The wax and oil absorbed by the meerschaum are the cause of the color produced by smoking. The heat of the burning tobacco causes the wax and fatty substances to pass through the stages of a dry distillation, and, becoming associated with the products of the distillation of the tobacco, they are diffused through the substances of the pipe, producing those gradations of tint which are so much prized. In some cases the bowls are artificially colored by dipping them, before being soaked in wax, in a solution of sulphate of iron, either alone or mixed with dragon's blood.

Good meerschaum is soft enough to be indented by the thumb nail. It yields readily to the knife, especially after having been wetted. There are various densities. Some kinds sink in water; others float on the surface. Those of medium density are preferred by the pipe maker, for the light varieties are porous and even cavernous. Many judges assume that the heavier the pipe is the better it is, but there is no absolute proof that such is the case. A negative test may be mentioned. The composition bowls never exhibit those greenish bluish result from the presence of foreign bodies in the natural meerschaum. Therefore if a bluish occur in a meerschaum bowl, which is very frequently the case, the genuineness of the bowl is rendered most probable. But as bluish does not show until after the bowl has been used for some time the test is not of much value.—New York Press.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS. An old man doesn't care much for jokes. What's the use of giving advice? People won't take it. Not many men know if the advice their wives give is good or bad, as they seldom act upon it. To every man: Know what puts that sad look on your wife's face? Every one suspects that it is you. Every man who is nearing the end of his days must regret the worry he has given to false alarms all through life. Do not go too much into details in your conversation. If you touch only the high places you can get over more ground. When you inquire of a man, "How are you?" he will reply, "Oh" (with a long pause on the "oh"), "pretty well," indicating that he could be a whole lot better.—Acheson Globe.

A Painter's Broken Arm. A friend once entered the studio of George Inness, the American work scene painter, while he was at work and remarked that the picture on the easel seemed to him much better than certain former works of the artist. "Right!" said Inness. "This is going to be one of my best things, and the reason is that I have had the good luck to break my right arm and am obliged to paint with my left hand. You see," he added, showing his right hand in a sling, "this hand had become so darned clever that I could not catch up with it, and it painted away without me, while this hand"—showing the left, with which he held his brush—"is awkward and can do nothing without me."

Judicial Tantrums. After a service of nearly thirty years as recorder of Dublin Sir Frederick Falkiner is about to retire at the age of seventy-four. Sir Frederick is noted throughout Ireland as one of the most irritable judges upon the bench, and he is not slow to uncork the visals of his wrath when anything in the handling of a case evokes his displeasure. In his earlier days he was constantly in hot water, but it was found that his bark was worse than his bite, and after a while the counsel practicing in his court learned to receive with stolidity his tirades of abuse. It was astonishing to a chance visitor to behold a recorder dressing down a lawyer who stood silent before the torrent of words, but the lawyer well knew that before the court closed the recorder would make amends for his outburst by singling the unfortunate attorney to be the recipient of some marked compliment. The retirement of Sir Frederick will remove from the Irish bench one of its most picturesque figures, but his memory will live in the legal fraternity through the good stories told of his outbursts and apologies.

Is New York More Honest. It is intensely irritating when posting a book package, for instance, to try in vain at some half dozen pillar boxes before finding one into which the packet can be easily inserted. America has its own way of grappling with this difficulty. The New York post box is as irresponsible as the London pillar box to the demands of the book packet. But in New York you will find packages piled on top of the boxes and when the pile topples even placed on the sidewalk beneath. New York on the whole is probably no more honest than London. But no one seems to fear theft of the inviting book packet, and the confidence is amply justified. Shall we trust our fellow thieves?—London Chronicle.

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Bayview..... 9:35 11:03 6:14 10:19

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Eden..... 9:45 11:12 6:26 10:29

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Nassawadox..... 10:05 11:30 6:46 10:49

Exmore..... 10:12 11:37 6:53 10:56

Painter..... 10:19 11:44 6:59 11:03

Keller..... 10:26 11:51 7:06 11:10

Melfa..... 10:33 11:58 7:13 11:17

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